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PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE SITE 1  
THANH HOA AREA, NORTH VIETNAM  
19-39-20N 105-50-06E

(SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARDS L-4689 AND L-4690)

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE FIRST PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILES TO BE IDENTIFIED IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION:

SITE 1, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS THANH HOA SAM SITE A17B-2 (260), IS LOCATED 9.9 NM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF THANH HOA AT 19-39-20N 105-50-06E (UTM WG875734).

3. BACKGROUND:

THE SS-N-2 (STYX) IS AN AERODYNAMIC ANTISHIP MISSILE INSTALLED IN THE "KOMAR" AND "OSA" CLASS GUIDED MISSILE PATROL BOATS.

THIS PATROL CRAFT-LAUNCHED CRUISE MISSILE FOR USE AGAINST SHIPS HAS A MAXIMUM RANGE OF 20 NM WITH A SPEED OF MACH 0.9 REACHING A CRUISING ALTITUDE BETWEEN 300 - 1000 FEET. THE LENGTH OF THE MISSILE IS 21 FEET.

THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT THE SS-N-2 (STYX) CRUISE MISSILE COULD BE USED AS A SHORE-TO-SHIP COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE, ALTHOUGH THE SOVIETS AND CHINESE, HAVE NOT APPARENTLY USED IT IN THIS ROLE.

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4. COLLATERAL:

AS EARLY AS AUGUST 1967 CRATES POSSIBLY CONTAINING SS-N-2 (STYX) CRUISE MISSILES WERE OBSERVED ABOARD A SOVIET MERCHANT SHIP PARTIZANSKAYA ISKRA EN ROUTE TO HAI PHONG. PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED] REVEALED THE PARTIZANSKAYA ISKRA IN HAI PHONG PORT WITH ALL HATCH COVERS REMOVED. NO EVIDENCE OF CRUISE MISSILE CRATES WAS OBSERVED.

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5. MISSION READOUT:

[REDACTED] REVEALS PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE SITE 1 TO CONSIST OF SIX REVETTED POSITIONS. ONE OF THE REVETMENTS CONTAINS A CAMOUFLAGED, PROBABLE SS-N-2 (STYX) MISSILE WHICH APPEARS TO BE MOUNTED ON A TRUCK. TWO OF THE REVETMENTS CONTAIN CAMOUFLAGED POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS.

[REDACTED] REVEALS THE CONTROL SUPPORT AREA OF PROBABLE COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE SITE 1.

6. REMARKS:

THE CAMOUFLAGE COVERING OVER THE POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS PRECLUDES A DETAILED INTERPRETATION OF THE SITE. THEY APPEAR TO HAVE DUAL LAUNCH RAILS POSSIBLY MOUNTED ON SOME TYPE OF TRAILER. ONE OF THESE POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS IS IN AN INCLINED POSITION.

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THE POSSIBLE LAUNCHERS APPEAR SIMILAR TO, ALTHOUGH SHORTER THAN,  
THE SSC-2 (SAMLET) COASTAL DEFENSE MISSILE LAUNCHER.

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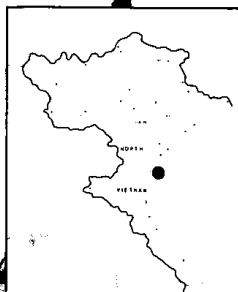
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## THANH HOA AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

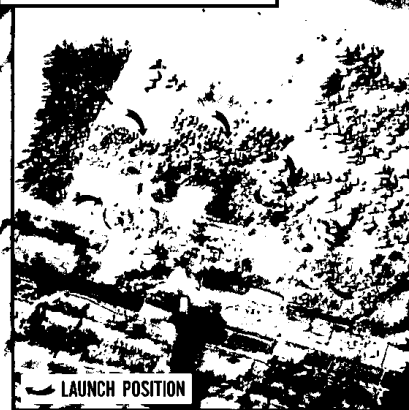
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(FORMERLY SAM SITE 260)

PRE STRIKE



PROB SS-N-2 (STYX) MISSILE



LAUNCH POSITION

POSS LAUNCHER

POSS LAUNCHER

CONTROL/SUPPORT AREA

THANH HOA 9.9 NM

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20X ENLARGEMENT

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